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## Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Office Action which, on its face, granted a three (3) month period of time in which to respond thereto was mailed on November 22, 2002, with respect to the above-identified presently pending application. Accordingly, the shortened statutory period for response was set to end on February 22, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a three (3) month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Thus, the period of response is to be extended until May 22, 2003.

Please charge the \$930.00 fee for this extension of time designated by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875.

The undersigned may be reached at: 920-721-8863.

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE

I, Cynthia M. Trudell, hereby certify that on May 22, 2003 this document is being transmitted via facsimile to: Commissioner for Patents, Right Fax No. 703-872-9302.

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